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TELEGRAMS.

THE REVOLUTION.

ONE FOR SUN.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Jan. 13, 9.40 a.m.
Sun Yat-sen inspected the cruisers and gunboats at Nanking yesterday.
The foreign warships did not acknowledge the salutes from the President's yacht.

JAPAN'S NEUTRALITY.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Durban, Jan. 12, 8.15 p.m.
Reuter's Tokyo correspondent states that the Japanese Government has refused to assist the Chinese revolutionaries to negotiate a loan, declaring that it will not swerve from its policy of neutrality.—Reuter.

ARSENAL CAPTURED.

Via Durban, Jan. 12, 10.50 a.m.

Reuter's St. Petersburg correspondent states that Chinese revolutionaries have seized the arsenal at Kuldja in Chinese Turkestan.
Four hundred Manchus were killed, and a Republic declared.

IMPERIALIST NEGOTIATOR.

Shanghai, Jan. 12.

The Manchou Government has despatched H.E. Leung Si-ye to Shanghai to resume the peace negotiations, in succession to Tang Shao-yi.

TANG DENOUNCED.

Sing Wan has telegraphed to the Manchou Government denouncing Tang Shao-yi for sacrificing the interests of the nation.

FEMALE SPIES.

H.E. Yuan Shih-kai has engaged a number of ladies, girls and boys as scouts to go round the different parts of the revolutionaries and report their movements.—Sheung Po.

TELEGRAMS.

THE REVOLUTION.

CHEKIANG'S CHIEF.

Chang Pah-hi has been elected Governor-General of Chekiang.

A REPUBLICAN LOAN.

The Cantonese residents in Shanghai held a meeting yesterday and consented to the advance of a Tls. 400,000 loan to Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

MONGOLIA.

Russia has presented a demand to China claiming the right to superintend the internal administration of Mongolia. China, however, is to be allowed to control the external affairs of Mongolia. Russia is now pressing for a reply from China.—Shat Po.

HOLLAND'S QUEEN.

INTERESTING REPORTS.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Durban, Jan. 12, 4.45 p.m.

Queen Wilhelmina continues to be absent from state functions and reports pointing to the probability of an interesting event are gaining ground.—Reuter.

CAMPBELL BANNERMAN.

A POSTHUMOUS HONOUR.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Durban, Jan. 12, 4.45 p.m.

A bronze bust of the late Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, which was erected by Parliament in Westminster Abbey, has been unveiled without formal ceremony.

The bust is placed in a niche in the nave alongside the monument to Lord Salisbury.—Reuter.

LORD HARDINGE.

HIGH HONOUR.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Bombay, Jan. 12, 3.35 p.m.

Lord Hardinge has had the Chain of the Victorian Order conferred upon him.—Reuter.

TELEGRAMS.

TRIPOLI WAR.

GUNBOATS DESTROYED.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Bombay, Jan. 13, 7.50 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Rome says that the cruiser Piedmont and two destroyers have destroyed seven Turkish gunboats and captured an armed yacht off Kufuda. A stubborn resistance was offered.

TROPHIES CAPTURED.

Guns and other trophies were also captured. Warships were despatched to intercept the gunboats which were conveying arms and troops intended to enter Cyrenica by way of Egypt.—Reuter.

SIAMESE SENSATION.

BUSOOK REMANDED.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Bombay, Jan. 13, 7.50 a.m.

Paul de Busook, the journalist who was charged in London with receiving stolen jewellery and jewels valued at £10,000, which belonged to the Dowager Queen of Siam, has again been brought up at Bow Street and remanded.—Reuter.

LABOUR TROUBLES.

A COTTON TRUCE.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Durban, Jan. 12, 9.30 p.m.

An early settlement of the trouble in the cotton trade is expected. Both employers and operatives favour a truce for six months, in which period terms can be arranged.—Reuter.

BALLOT RETURNS.

Via Durban, Jan. 12, 10.50 a.m.

The moners' ballot returns generally indicate a majority of six to one in favour of a strike. A labour demonstration was addressed by Mr. Will Crook and Mr. Henderson and other Labourites. Mr. Henderson urged the workers not to be carried away by the parrot cry of "down tools" which was lessening the efficiency of democracy in the industrial world. He dwelt on the benefits of the political action as opposed to strikes, and he said the Government should do its utmost to prevent the miners' strike.

TELEGRAMS.

GERMAN ELECTIONS.

STREET STRIFE.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Durban, Jan. 12, 8.30 p.m.

Reuter's Berlin correspondent states that polling took place in bitterly cold weather. There was unusual animation and the Socialist red predominated in the streets.

Some collisions between Socialists and Catholics occurred in various towns, but the police restored order.—Reuter.

KAISER'S INTEREST.

Via Bombay, Jan. 12, 3.35 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Berlin

states that the weather favours a record poll at the elections for the Reichstag to-day. Excitement is

of the keenest, and the Socialists are most notice. In their

manifestos they warn the electors of the dangers to the

progressive nation by the coalition of reactionaries and clericals,

while the Conservatives insist upon the necessity of averting foreign

peril by building up armaments,

and unitedly opposing the Socialists. The Kaiser, who is at Potsdam, has arranged to be continuously informed of the progress of the fight.

TROUBLE IN BRAZIL.

FORT BOMBARDED.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Durban, Jan. 12, 10.50 a.m.

A message from Reuter's correspondent at Rio Janeiro states that the Government of Bahia is refusing to act on the judgment of the Federal Court granting a writ of habeas corpus in favour of certain opposition deputies. The fort was bombarded and the Government building destroyed. The Federal Government are negotiating a warship to Bahia.

TELEGRAMS.

POLITICAL SENSATION.

PROBABLE PREMIER.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Bombay, Jan. 12, 3.35 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that in view of the probability of M. Bourgeois declining the Premiership on account of ill-health, it is expected that M. Fallieres will summon M. Delcasse.

TEST CRICKET.

ENGLAND ON TOP.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Durban, Jan. 12, 2.15 p.m.

In fine, warm weather, and before a good crowd, the third test

match was commenced. The

wicket was perfect. Australia

scored 133, Foster taking 5 wickets

for 36 runs. England are 49 for

no wickets down.—Reuter.

FAR EAST IN PARLIAMENT.

Questions Affecting Police and Civil Services.

In the House of Commons recently Mr. MacCallum Scott asked the Prime Minister whether before the Colonial Office authorised changes in the regulations excluding specifically from the civil and police services in Hongkong, Singapore, and the Federated Malay States all candidates who were not of pure European descent on both sides, the matter was specially brought before the Cabinet and its consent obtained to a change which robbed over three-quarters of the subjects of the Empire of rights previously enjoyed by them.

Colonel Seely: No, Sir. The qualifications required for officers of the police and cadet services in the places mentioned are a matter for the Secretary of State to decide.

Mr. MacCallum Scott asked the Prime Minister whether this reply meant that the Cabinet accepted responsibility for this action of the Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Asquith: The Cabinet accepted responsibility for all decisions on the part of the Government.

Mr. MacCallum Scott: Is it not desirable that before making a new regulation which diminishes the civil status of 350,000,000 British subjects the question should be brought before the Cabinet in some form or another?

Mr. Asquith: No, Sir. The question was before the Colonial Office.

Mr. MacCallum Scott: Has the head of the Colonial Office power by regulation to do so, say, that no Scotsman (laughter and cheers) shall obtain admission to the Civil Service of these Colonies for which the Minister is responsible, or that a member of the Church of England (laughter) shall be an "Order"?

Mr. Asquith: There is no service to which a Scotsman cannot obtain admission. (laughter)

TELEGRAMS.

KING'S INDIAN VISIT.

STRIKING SUCCESS.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Durban, Jan. 12, 10.50 a.m.

The King has telegraphed to Mr. Asquith saying that he rejoiced to learn from all sources that the success of the visit to India has exceeded all expectations. All classes, races, and creeds had received him and the Queen with unmistakable enthusiasm and affection. His rejoices at the mutual confidence between himself and the people at

Home, which enables him to fulfil their hearts' wish. "Satisfaction will

be still greater," says the King, "if it proves that the visit was conducive to the lasting good of India

and the Empire."—(Reuter).

THE HERO.

He is still by courtesy called the hero, but he is not the hero of our youth. His glory has departed. But let us, lest we be misunderstood, hasten to explain. We are referring, not to the hero, humble or otherwise, of everyday life. He, thank goodness, is with us—long may he flourish. But what of the splendid hero of the novels and plays of our youth? Ah, those were days, if you like. No novelist or dramatist would have dared to face his public without a hero who doubled the parts of Hercules and Adonis. He was not always, it is true, over-intellectual. Or rather, for we would not willingly do him an injustice, he kept his intellect well concealed. We took his mental powers for granted, and, since he was the incarnation of all the virtues and the embodiment of all that was pleasing to the eye, we did not worry ourselves overmuch about the exact horse-power of his brain. But nowadays our authors and playwrights are all for what they call realism. Forgetful of true Art, they try to draw human nature as it really is—a compound of petty meannesses and sudden impulses towards goodness. That is why our magnificent hero has had to go. Wrongly, as we think. For surely he was a far more interesting person to read about or see on the stage than the present type which is a mere composite photograph of our innumerable acquaintances. There is only one remedy for this state of things. You and I, from whom our authors take their subjects, must emulate the deeds and the looks of the old-fashioned hero. Then, perhaps, our new writers, drawing from life, will give us that noble-hearted bundle of manly perfections once more. The "Globe"

TELEGRAMS.

RUSSIA AND PERSIA.

SHUSTER LEAVES.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Durban, Jan. 12, 10.50 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Teheran states that Mr. Shuster has left for Europe. He has published a statement giving the opinion that the Commission appointed on Jan. 8 is unable to undertake the Treasury administration. The Commission has resigned. It is understood that Mr. Moravd will take over the post.

NEW YORK FIRE.

SECURITIES SAFE.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Durban, Jan. 12, 9.40 a.m.

A message from New York states that sixty millions sterling worth of securities have been removed from the vaults of the burned Equitable Life Insurance Building.

There are still eighty millions worth in the vaults, but they are as yet inaccessible, as they are beneath the debris. It is believed they are unscathed.—Reuter.

CANTON NEWS.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, January 12.

Li Yuk-tong, the Provincial Treasurer, has issued a proclamation prohibiting the people from using the tael system for transacting business, substituting instead the dollar. Arrangements are being made whereby chopped and defaced dollars may be exchanged for new coin by the Specie Department.

A cruiser from Hupah is paying a visit to Canton and is now anchored off Whampoa. She has come down from the north for the purpose of obtaining arms and ammunition for the march towards Peking. Yesterday, the commander, Kam' Lun-ho, an officer with considerable experience, was entertained by the Canton Naval Co-operative Association.

Fung Shui-yun, a Chinese Christian priest, has petitioned the Governor-General for punishment of two Chinese men who are said to have set fire to a building of which the priest was in charge. The priest further alleges that the two men hired ruffians to fire all the houses belonging to Christian converts. An enquiry into the matter is to be made.

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OUR CONTEMPORARIES

China Map.

A Mare's Nest.

Ever since the news came down from the north that the peace negotiations at Shanghai had come to a standstill we have been looking out for some explanation of the failure of the rival commissioners to arrive at a definite conclusion. The real attitude of Yuan Shih-kai has also puzzled foreign observers, greatly, for no one could fathom the drift of his tortuous and well-concealed diplomacy. But light is now thrown on the dark places by the "National Review" and we discover that the reason for the peace conference resulting in an abortive fiasco was nothing of Japan! It is a pity that our contemporary has such a hopelessly biased opinion of the neighbouring State, for it discounts so very greatly the disclosures now made. Indeed, to many observers the "National Review's" attitude towards Japan ever since it began publication puts it quite out of court. Still it is interesting to see how far prejudice and perverted reason will go, and from that point of view alone we now consider our contemporary's revelations.

Daily Press.

Revolutionaries and Opium. It is a curious coincidence that the Revolutionary Government in Yunnan should have proclaimed its disregard of the opium agreements with the foreign powers at the very time that an International Conference was in session at Tientsin deliberating on methods of hastening the total extinction of the trade in accordance with what is frequently represented to be the unanimous desire of the Chinese people. Of course, it is now out of the power of the Government at Peking to control the new situation which has arisen in the provinces of Szechuan and Yunnan, and it becomes a question therefore whether the Foreign Governments will in this matter recognise the Republican Government at Nanking, which claims to exercise authority over these provinces, and has already offered the Powers assurances that all agreements entered into with them by the Chinese Government will be faithfully observed. There can be no doubt that the leaders of the Revolutionary movement are in thorough sympathy with the anti-opium policy, and it is simply a question of the power of the Central Government to enforce a policy which is distasteful to the bulk of the people in a particular province.

South China Morning Post.

Mr. Shuster's Dilemma.

Mr. Shuster's management of the treasury has liquidated the £100,000 deficit, furnished the expenses of running the Government, met promptly all foreign obligations, accruing and produced a liquid asset of £180,000. In spite of this showing, Mr. Shuster has become the victim of a peculiar situation in which Russia and Great Britain have figured for a long time. Mr. Shuster's opposition to sectional Russian and British strategic lines in the north and south, and his preference for the construction of a complete line running from north to south were the special causes of the British opposition. Russia's opposition to American control of finance in Persia found open expression from the start even to the extent of endeavouring to induce the Persian Government not to telegraph Mr. Shuster's travelling expenses to Persia. The fruit is just about ripe for plucking, and the presence of Mr. Shuster at the gathering of the crop would, it seems, not have been convenient for either of the harvesters.

The suit for divorce brought by Mr. John Currie Hanson, of Shanghai against his wife in England was decided in his favour.

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CHEAPER EMPIRE CABLES.

The Home papers, for the most part, appear to have received the new cable rates with warm approval. It will be remembered that, from Jan. 1, a new deferred cable rate has been introduced for messages in plain language cabled between Britain and all parts of the Empire. Admittedly these changes are likely to exercise a considerable effect upon the relations between the mother country and the overseas dominions. The cable has had a great unifying influence because it has done much to annihilate distance by removing the delays which distance creates. The dearth of cablegrams, however, has always restricted their value as a business medium. Only in a matter of considerable urgency would a business man pay a shilling or two, or a dollar or two, a word, for use of the cable. With the charge for deferred messages less formidable, then, the cable may now, more than ever, be of value to commercial men. It will be easier, again, in purely family matters, where the units are widely separated, to send explanatory messages and so to avoid vexations, delays and misunderstandings.

Yet, recognising all this, recognising, too, the value of the new arrangement as it affects press messages, we are not disposed to be so congratulatory to the Postmaster-General as the majority of Home papers appear to be. If we understand the new arrangement aright—and the conditions seem clear enough—a cable sent from Home on, say, Saturday would not be delivered in Hongkong until Monday morning. It is not easy to see how a delay of that length can be of any great service to business men working at great pressure. Some service the new arrangement will afford, in so far as it will permit of explanatory matter, after or before the urgent message is sent; but it must be sent too long after or too long before to be of great value. So with news; deferred messages have some value, but not at all great. The chief value of news lies in its being "hot," and a day's delay never improves it. Deferred news, "non-urgent" news is not worth its use to amplify and expand a brief, earlier message. But we fear that the new arrangement will be employed largely for messages gone stale with delay and that fear tempers our admiration of Mr. Herbert Samuel's scheme.

DAY BY DAY.

Perhaps it speaks well for human nature on the whole that people are so surprised to find themselves odious to others.

To-day's Paper.

Particulars of a competition which is designed to see what amateur photographers in Hongkong can do are to be found on this page. Another instalment of "Directors, Their Liabilities, Rights and Powers" appears on page 3, where also the Short Sermon will be found. On page 8 in the sporting columns, some interesting particulars in regard to the late "Jubilee Plunger" are given.

The body of a newly-born female child has been found in the harbour near Stonecutters Island.

Tenders are invited in the Gazette for a path at Pinewood Battery.

No less than 1,800 men were catered for last month by the officials at the Seamen's Institute, West Point.

The Hongkong Benevolent Association has sent a large cheque to augment the funds of the Seamen's Mission.

The name of Mr. A. E. Keen of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., has been added to the Register of Chemists and Druggists.

Mr. James Young, agent for the Bahmann Company, leaves Hongkong to-day, for Shanghai. Before returning he will visit Manila.

The ninety-first ordinary half yearly meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., is to be held on Tuesday, Feb. 6, at noon.

We learn that the Rev. C. E. Thompson, chaplain to the Hongkong Mission to Seamen, has, during the last month, contributed to the funds an amount running into three figures.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. E. A. Irving held an enquiry into the death of Private W. Cantrell of the 1st K.O.Y.L.I. who was found unconscious in a nullah on Dec. 23 near the Army Headquarters. From the evidence given the man appears to have broken barracks and when returning, to have fallen into the nullah. A verdict of death from misadventure was returned.

Cricket.

The following were selected to play for the Hongkong C.C. against the Garrison this afternoon:—H. R. Makin, H. M. Webb, A. O. Elborough, J. W. Stephenson, J. L. E. Pearce, H. Hancock, A. O. Brown, M. M. Maas, A. E. Fowler, F. Matson and D. E. Donnelly.

Gambling.

At the Magistracy this morning eight men were charged with gambling. Three pleaded guilty and five not guilty. The bench decided that all were guilty and fined those denying the charge \$3.00 or in the alternative seven days, and the three admitting the offence \$2.00 or five days.

Alleged Theft from a Steamer.

At the Magistracy this morning one Lo Mun was remanded on a charge of stealing a case containing forty yards of white sheeting valued at \$225.00 from the Blue Funnel Steamer Asyanax, the property of the Ocean Steamship Co., Ltd., on the morning of the 5th inst. A charge of being a rogue and vagabond previously made against the man was withdrawn. L. S. Wills has the case in hand.

New Cemetery.

It is announced in the Gazette that His Excellency the Governor-in-Council has, under Section 90 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903 (Ordinance No. 1 of 1903), selected and appointed New Kowloon Survey District 1 Lot Nos. 582 and 583 as the site of and to be used as a Cemetery or burial ground for Chinese from January 16, 1912, and it shall from that date and until further notice, be deemed to be an Authorized Cemetery.

During the fifteen hour to-day light hail fell.

The new Manila hotel will not be opened for the accommodation of guests during the coming Carnival.

We understand that the Amateur Dramatic Club has successfully cast "The Gondoliers" and rehearsals are in full swing for the presentation of the piece in March.

We understand that the Redemptorist mission, recently conducted in Hongkong by the Rev. Father Lynch, has been so successful that he has been invited to return and preach again.

It is probable that there will be some difficulty in fixing the date on which the annual show in connection with the Hongkong Horticultural Society, is to be held owing to the poor growing season. The members have been circularised in reference to a meeting to discuss the matter.

Trouble is apparently arising between the Japanese and Malays on board the shelling boats, which promises to have an extensive effect, states a Thursday Island despatch of November 20. Several Japanese came in on Friday evening, complaining of having been poisoned, their statements throwing suspicion on a Malay. A medical examination showed that apparently nothing was wrong with them, and police investigations have so far been without result. Latterly, however, the Japanese are demanding that the Malays should be deported, threatening that they will not resume work unless the demand is acceded to.

The following is from "Truth"—Fleet Surgeon P. B. Handyside, who has been promoted to the new rank of deputy-surgeon-general, has seen much service since he was in the little Fox during the Sierra Leone troubles of 1898. He was specially promoted to fleet-surgeon "for conspicuous professional merit" and he gave further evidence of his ability in his interesting reports upon the health of the Japanese navy and army during the Russian war, which received complimentary recognition from the Admiralty. Since January, 1910, he has done duty in the flagship on the China station, and as the Minotaur is very shortly due for relief he will remain in her until her return to England.

Langkats.

There has been considerable interest taken in Langkats during the week. Business was done to-day at Ts. 85. There have been rumours circulating that the output for the last few days has been as high as 800 tons per day.

A Blot on the Landscape.

The "finest site" in the Colony is still rendered unsightly by the vagaries of local building contractors. Although the plot of ground directly opposite the Hongkong Club has fortunately been shorn of the greater portion of the rubbish heaps which formerly disfigured it, some piles of timber and bamboo still remain fenced in by bamboo-work, while opposite the new Law Courts, blocks of granite, mounds of cement and rubble-stones and other building accessories are strewn all over the place.

Unclaimed Telegrams.

The following is a list of unclaimed telegrams lying in the Eastern Extension Office at Hongkong:—

Berg Warner Steamer Team from Manila; Burt from Shanghai; Cawley Hongkong Hotel from London; Frankel H Hongkong Hotel from Honolulu; Funk Peak Hotel from Saigon; Heising H. O. W. Hongkong Hotel from New York; Jafstang from Cholon; Kwongyeto from Cholon; Liyik from Jalcanta; Meiss from New York; Moblein 2nd story No 4 Elegant at from Manila; Pettin-gell Esabel from London; Psalmist from Manila; Sankai Japanese from Singapore; Singtaioh from Kokinohang; Sia Tong Wong Chaine Road from Fochow; Szechongtai from San Francisco; Tongyin Siangunkai from Singapore; Welsong Sypapuh from Singapore.

THE COURTS OF JUSTICE.

Monday's Opening.

On Monday J. E. the Governor Sir Frederick Lugard, will formally open the new Courts of Justice, as they are in future to be called.

At 11 a.m. His Excellency will arrive at the buildings being met by the Director of Public Works and the Registrar of the Supreme Court, with whom he will make a tour of inspection of the building, ending at the Chief Justice's Court where judges, barristers and solicitors will await his coming.

Here he will be received by the judges and on their invitation will assume the principal seat while the Registrar reads a proclamation empowering the transfer of the Courts' business to the new building. After this His Excellency will hand the keys of the court over to the Chief Justice who will make a brief reply.

H. V. C.

January Orders.

In the Corps Orders issued by Lt.-Col. A. Chapman, V.D., Commandant of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, it is stated that for gun practice at Customs Pass on Saturday, Jan. 13, Nos. 1, 2 and 4 companies will parade at Blako Pier at 1 p.m. sharp to proceed by launch to Customs Jetty. Dress: khaki and puttees, water-bottles and service dress cap.

Parades at Headquarters, at 5.30 p.m., will be held on Tuesday, January 16, for Maxim gun drill and musketry instruction.

A short course of lectures on Military Topography and field sketching will be held at Volunteer Headquarters on Tuesdays and Fridays at 5.30 p.m., commencing on Tuesday, 16th.

Musketry Courses, King's Park range, will be held as follows:—Saturday, January 20, at 2 p.m. and Sunday, January 21, at 9 a.m. Trained soldiers, all units Parts 1 and 2. All men who have not yet fired these parts are particularly requested to attend on one of the above dates.

Engineer Company will parade at West Fort, Kowloon, at 9 p.m. on Wednesday, January 17, for technical instruction. Dress Uniform.

Hongkong Rifle League.—The Volunteer Corps is entering a team for the Hongkong Rifle League competition. Will all members who are interested please communicate with Sergt. Sorby, P. O. Box 251. Gunner H. Watling of No. 1 Artillery Company, is granted leave of absence for 6 months with effect from January 3.

The monthly shoot of No. 3 Company will take place at the Peak Range Sunday, the 28th inst., at 6.30 a.m. Ammunition should be procured from Headquarters before 12 noon on Saturday, the 27th inst. No ammunition will be available on the range.

HONGKONG'S ORDINANCES.

How the Revision Fares.

By the courtesy of the Chief Justice, Sir Francis Pigott, we learn that the work of revising the ordinance of Hongkong is in a fair way towards completion, in fact the editor hopes to have the work completed by March next. He explained to a representative of the "Telegraph" that the task would have been finished earlier, had it not been for the delay caused by the printer's strike and the passing of the Public Health Amendment Ordinance.

ALLEGED THEFT.

Foreign Woman Charged.

At the Magistracy this morning Miss Virgal Ward of 12 Hollywood Road, was charged with stealing \$150 from ex-Lieut. Charles Kirkpatrick, R.N., on the 12th inst. at the Belle Vue Hotel. Inspector McWard prosecuted and Mr. Grist, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for the defendant, who pleaded not guilty. The case was remanded until Thursday next. Bail was fixed at \$300 and the jury was immediately forthcoming.

ARMS ORDINANCE.

Charge Against a Greek.

John Chrynesco, Panagiotis, aged 34, of Greek nationality, was charged at the Magistracy, this morning, with being in unlawful possession of arms and ammunition on the 12th inst.

Mr. Grist, who defended, asked for a remand and said the man had no intention of making use of the arms in the strict sense of the term. He was a merchant traveller and had been in the interior endeavouring to secure orders from the revolutionaries for the Browning automatic pistol and the cartridges produced. He thought the police were agreeable to accept the explanation that no menace to the Colony was proposed and a commercial use only was made and meant. He recognised that having the arms without the legal permit was serious, and the consequences deportation. In this case a deportation warrant had been applied for and he would prefer the case being adjourned until he ascertained how the ground lay. He submitted too, that bail should be allowed.

Detective Torrett: In that case I ask that the amount be to the fullest extent?

Mr. Grist: I don't mind that. A remand until Thursday next was granted, bail being fixed at \$250.00.

THEFT IN TAIKOO DOCKYARD.

Pipes and Valves Stolen.

During the last few days, a number of robberies have been reported in these columns and still there appears to be no sign of abatement.

The latest theft is reported to have occurred at Taikoo Dockyard. It appears that a few days ago, Mr. Pernaut, of the Far East Oxygen and Acetylene Company, was carrying out certain repairs in one of the workshops at Taikoo Dockyard, and at the conclusion of the day's work, packed up the various accessories in a box and shut up the shop. Next morning, on his return to the workshop to resume work, he discovered that thieves had visited the workshop overnight and had cut portions of the blow-pipe and removed a number of valves to the total value of \$100.

MARINE COURT.

Seamen Absent Themselves.

At the Marine Court, to-day, before Commander C. W. Beckwith, R.N., Samuel McGregor, able bodied seaman of ss. Empress of India, was charged by A. J. Hailey, chief officer, with unlawfully absenting himself with leave from his ship on Jan. 7 and 8.

Defendant pleaded guilty. The Magistrate:—Have you had any previous case against him?

Mr. Hailey:—Yes. Twice?—No! once. He was sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment with hard labour.

Thomas Bellerton, seaman of the same ship, was charged with a similar offence on Jan. 10 and 11.

Defendant pleaded guilty but said he would like another chance to go back on board and work.

His Worship:—Any trouble with this man before?

Mr. Hailey:—Yes, for the same offence.

Any trouble on board?—Yes, but the other man is the worse.

A sentence of seven days' hard labour was passed.

FOR AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHERS.

PRIZES OFFERED FOR THE BEST PRINTS.

In order to stimulate interest in photography in Hongkong, the proprietor has decided to offer two prizes for the best photographs submitted to the editor by amateur photographers in the Colony, between now and the January 31. Should results justify it, the competition will become a monthly competition and two prizes will be awarded each month.

For this competition professional photographers will be rigidly excluded, and no member of the "Telegraph" staff shall be allowed to compete. A professional photographer, for the purposes of the competition, shall be adjudged as one who makes his living, wholly or in part, from photography.

The following are the RULES OF COMPETITION.

Each competitor may send as many photographs as he or she pleases, provided that every photograph is accompanied by a coupon. The coupon will be found below and will appear daily. A coupon from any issue, between now and January 31, must accompany each print.

For the photograph adjudged the best, a prize of \$10 will be awarded to the sender. For the photograph adjudged as next in merit, a prize of \$5 will be awarded. Should two photographs be of equal merit, the \$15 shall be equally divided between the senders, but no competitor may win both prizes. The editor shall be the sole judge and his decision must be accepted as final. Photographs can be accepted only on this understanding.

Photographs must be submitted only on the express understanding that the editor may, at his discretion, use any or all of the photographs, either in the "Hongkong Telegraph" or in the "Weekly Telegraph," in such manner as seems best to him, but that they shall not be put by him to any purpose outside of these journals.

Competitors shall not submit copies of competitive photographs to any other newspaper until the expiry of one month from the date of announcing the editor's decision.

The names and addresses of prize-winners will be announced early in February.

Hints to Competitors.

What are especially wanted are photographs of topical interest, illustrative of the daily life of the colony. A picture of some event of strong public interest or a snapshot, even, of two or three local celebrities enjoying (let us say) a good joke in the street, is of much more compelling interest to readers in the Colony than an excellent picture of the harbour or the Peak.

The best photograph, therefore, need not necessarily be the finest picture, though each photograph will, of course, be judged as a picture. But, other things being equal, the most "live" picture—the picture, in the judgment of the editor, most likely to interest the greatest number of readers—would be adjudged the best.

Whether snapshots or posed photographs are sent, then, they should actively touch some phase of life in the colony. Whether of men or women, of a sporting event or a street scene, they should be "live."

The editor will be pleased to answer, in these columns, any questions put by intending competitors on points which may require amplification.

Photographic Competition Coupon.

Jan. 13, 1912.

I agree to enter the photographic competition on the express understanding that the editor's decision shall be final, and that he may, at his discretion, use the print sent herewith either in the "Hongkong Telegraph" or the "Weekly Telegraph."

Name.....

Address.....

TELEGRAMS

NAVAL WAR STAFF

CHURCHILL'S CONCESSION

[Service to the "Telegraph."]
Bombay, Jan. 13, 7.50 a.m.
Mr. Winston Churchill has given up his official residence for use by the Naval War Staff—Renter.

POLITICAL SENSATION

DELOASSE DECLINES

[Service to the "Telegraph."]
Bombay, Jan. 13, 7.50 a.m.
Renter's correspondent at Paris says that M. Deloasse has been offered, and has declined the premiership.
President Fallieres has offered the post to M. Poincaré—Renter.

LATE TELEGRAMS

(From Manila Papers.)

Washington, January 6.
Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska has made a sensational speech in the Senate against the proposed arbitration treaty with Great Britain. He charged the Taft administration with planning an entangling alliance to bolster up its political weakness. Senator Rayner of Maryland has filed a minority report, favouring the adoption of the arbitration treaty, but with amendments. Senator Root's amendment to the arbitration treaties, proposing that the Monroe doctrine, control of immigration, and national debts be excluded from the scope of arbitration, has been accepted by that body.

January 8.
Governor Walter Stubbs of Kansas has declared for Colonel Roosevelt for President. Governor Stubbs asserts that the country needs Colonel Roosevelt to pull it out of the crisis into which it has fallen. Roosevelt, in his estimation, is the only man in the Republican party who has the leadership, initiative and policy that will measure up to the present emergency.

Moreover, Governor Stubbs says that Roosevelt is the only man in the Republican party who could win the next election over the Democrats. President Taft, according to Governor Stubbs, could not possibly win because of the split in the party; La Follette could not be nominated because of the disensions. Roosevelt could unite the two factions and carry the election; this is the belief of Governor Stubbs.

William Jennings Bryan has put himself definitely in record as out of the race for the presidency this year. Mr. Bryan has declared that not only is he not a candidate for the nomination but he would reject the nomination should it be tendered him. Mr. Bryan has made this announcement to allay all fear in the Democratic party that he would again interpose his personality in the convention to the undoing of the other candidates and to the division of the party. He was led to make the declaration by the numerous speculative utterances in the press and elsewhere as to what his attitude would be in the coming campaign with regard to his own nomination. It has been frequently asserted of late by political writers that he might again be nominated. Some have even insinuated that his reason for putting so many candidates in the field was that he might in the psychological moment of the convention thrust himself forward and secure the nomination.

To dissipate ideas of this sort Mr. Bryan has announced that he would not accept the nomination should it be offered him.

TELEGRAMS

LABOUR TROUBLES

ADMIRALTY STORING COAL

[Service to the "Telegraph."]
Bombay, Jan. 13, 7.50 a.m.
Hundreds of extra men are working day and night at Chatham Dockyard, laying railway lines and constructing a coal yard in which to store thirty thousand tons in view of a miners' strike.

Three colliers arrived to-day and the Admiralty have secured a hundred thousand tons of steam coal from South Wales.

PRICE OF COAL RISING

Bombay, Jan. 13, 7.50 a.m.
The price of coals is rising rapidly throughout the country. There is much excitement on the London Coal Exchange and an advance has been made of three shillings per ton on best household qualities and three and sixpence per ton on others.—Renter.

LAST NIGHT'S DANCE

There was a very large attendance last evening at the annual dance given by the Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders at the City Hall, well over 200 guests being present. The decorations were on a very elaborate scale, the most conspicuous feature being the Institute's badge, mounted on blue plush and surrounded with incandescent bulbs. St. Andrew's Hall was set out as a supper room and the general hall as a card room. The floor of St. George's Hall was everything that could be desired for dancing while most enjoyable music was discoursed for the seventeen items by the band of the K.O.Y.L. Great praise is due to the various committees, the chairman of which were:—Invitations committee, Mr. R. M. Dyer; decorations, Mr. H. T. Richardson; dancing, Mr. C. W. Jack; refreshment, Mr. G. J. Harman; supper room, Mr. P. Macdonald.

CHURCH SERVICE

Garrison Services.—Church of England, Victoria, Cathedral, 9.15 a.m., Chaplain. Detention Barracks, 8.30 a.m., Chaplain. Sincere, Barracks, Under Orders, Senior Officer. Military Hospital, Bowen Road, 6 p.m., Chaplain. R.N. Lyemba, Barracks, 11.15 a.m., Chaplain. Kowloon, St. Andrew's Church, 11 a.m., Offg. Clergyman. Mount Austin, Barracks, Under Orders, Senior Officer. Baptist, Congregationalist, Presbyterian, Victoria, Union Church, 10 a.m., Offg. Clergyman. Wesleyan, Victoria, Wesleyan Church, 10.15 a.m., Offg. Clergyman. Mount Austin, 9.5 a.m., Offg. Clergyman. Roman Catholic, Victoria, St. Joseph's Church, 10 a.m., Offg. Clergyman. Kowloon, Rosary Church, 9 a.m., Offg. Clergyman.

DON'T FORGET

Saturday, Jan. 13.
Variety Entertainment, City Hall.
Sunday, Jan. 14.
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Monday, Jan. 15.
Auction of S.S. San Cheung, Lammer's Sales Rooms.
Tuesday, Jan. 16.
Sanitary Board.
Wednesday, Jan. 17.
Auction of Booths and Mats, on the Spot, by Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 3 p.m.
Thursday, Jan. 18.
Criminal Sessions.
Friday, Jan. 19.
Sanitary Board Elections. Lectures at City Hall by Pastor Russell.
Saturday, Jan. 20.
Medical Congress Opened.



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The Silent "Third Degree."

"There were people who knew him as Jim and some who knew him as Jack. There was the girl for whom he bought an imitation sealskin suitcase and who pointed at the statue when she caught his eye."

"There was the clerk in the general delivery window who handed him his mail as J. B. Bryce."

"There was the man in a cafe at San Francisco who played the tune J. B. loved the most. That man was E. C. Ross of the Bohemian Cafe, and McNamara used to give him ten-dollar and twenty-dollar gold pieces to play 'Trauer' for him. When drink had softened his sensibilities, J. B. would sit at a table with his hands at his cheeks and his eyes staring into vacancy, literally enraptured with the melody. 'I'll never forget the eyes,' said Rosa to me. 'Show me his eyes alone, and I'd recognize him.'"

"There were the men," continued Brown, "who drove him about in San Francisco, Los Angeles, and other places. One of them had a row with him over a taxi."

"There was a man who stood in the street in front of Mrs. Lavin's house in San Francisco and saw Bryce and Schmidt drive up in a taxi, and when Schmidt got out of the taxi and looked into the window of the cab and talked with Bryce."

"There was a woman at whose store he bought some paper and wrapped up dynamite with it in her presence and gave his name as J. B. Bryce."

"I even got the cook who put up the three chickens he and Schmidt and Dave Kaplan took with them to Sausalito, where they made bombs."

A YALU RIVER ROMANCE

Lovers' Plight and Happy Sequel.

The following is from the "Scent Press":

"From time immemorial there is a common belief in Japan that weddings celebrated in the closing months of the year are especially auspicious, and numerous marriages generally take place throughout the country in November and December. True to this tradition a young Japanese at Nakanoshima, an isle in the River Yalu, arranged that his marriage should take place on the 8th instant. His comely bride, accompanied by a few of her relatives, punctually arrived at New Wiju from Japan proper on the appointed day. Luckily or unluckily, however, it became exceedingly cold, and the river was partially frozen over, making navigation to the isle very dangerous. The elders of her relatives were naturally reluctant to cross the stream in such

circumstances, and prevailed upon her to wait until the next morning, hoping that the river might then either be free from ice or frozen completely. The morning dawned bright and fine, but to the great dismay of the young bride the river was found nearly the same as the day before. The ice was still too thin to bear the weight of a traveller, yet the movement of ice made boating extremely dangerous.

"On the bridegroom's part he became impatient at the delay, and early in the morning he stood on the beach, his telescope pointed in the direction of New Wiju. Presently he recognised the irritated bride and her relatives approaching the river bank, and saluted them by waving his handkerchief. They also recognised him by the aid of a telescope, and returned the salute by enthusiastically waving their handkerchiefs. All this, however, was but poor consolation to the lovers, who had been looking forward for many months to the happy day. Another day dawning found the river in a similar condition, and the bride and bridegroom still separated, their only solace being the waving of handkerchiefs and gazing through telescopes from opposite banks. At last the stream between New Wiju and Nakanoshima was completely ice bound on the 11th, and the bride was the first one to pass over it the same morning."

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE NINETY-FIRST ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Marlborough, on TUESDAY, the 6th February, at 12 o'clock, Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, confirming the appointment of a Director and electing an Auditor. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 23rd January to 6th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, W. E. CLARKE, Secretary.

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The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 16th January, to THURSDAY, 25th January, 1912 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered. By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.

Hongkong, 9th Jan. 1912.

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ELEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 26th January, 1912, at 11.30 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1911.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 20th January, to THURSDAY, 26th January, 1912 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered. By Order of the Board of Directors, MOWBRAY B. NORTHCOTE, Secretary.

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The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 15th January, to THURSDAY, the 25th January, 1912 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered. By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.

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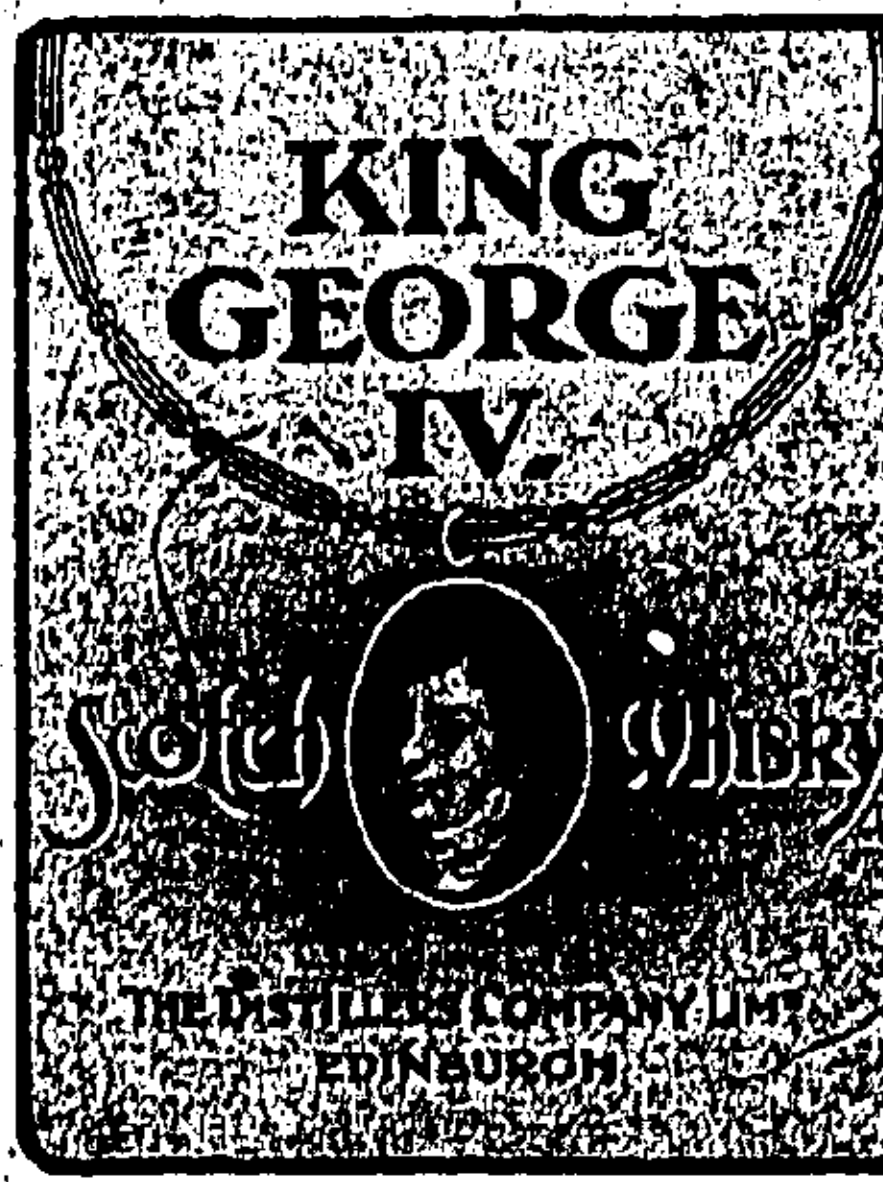
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "DENLAVERS,"
FROM LEITH, MIDDLESBRO',
LONDON & STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and London Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whences and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 13th inst., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 20th inst., or they will not be recognized.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th Jan., 1912.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "SHINYO MARU"
From SAN FRANCISCO, HONO-
LULU, and JAPAN PORTS.

The above-named steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on FRIDAY, the 12th inst., at 5 p.m. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from Company's Godown.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be offered.
No Claims will be recognized after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered on the 17th inst., after-noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All damaged and otherwise damaged Cargo to be left on board or godown and examination of same to be arranged.
All claims must be filed on or before the 22nd inst., otherwise they will not be recognized.

K. MATSUDA,
Agent.
Hongkong, 10th Jan., 1912.

Shipping—Steamers

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Destinations	Steamers	Sailing Dates
MARSEILLES, London & Antwerp via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez & Port Said	IYO MARU, Capt. R. Takada, T. 7,000 HIRANO MARU, Capt. H. Fraser, T. 9,000	WEDNESDAY, 17th Jan., at Daylight. WEDNESDAY, 31st Jan., at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, & YOKOHAMA	AWA MARU, Capt. T. Iizawa, T. 7,000 SAUO MARU, Capt. J. Richards, T. 7,000	TUESDAY, 30th Jan., at Noon. TUESDAY, 13th Feb., at Noon.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via MARINA, Thursday Island, Townsville and Brisbane	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, T. 6,000 YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sekiguchi, T. 5,000	FRIDAY, 19th Jan., at Noon. FRIDAY, 16th Feb., at Noon.
Kobe & YOKOHAMA	KAMO MA U, Capt. P. L. Sommer, T. 9,000	THURSDAY, 18th Jan., at 11 a.m.
N'ASKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sekiguchi, T. 5,000	WEDNESDAY, 17th Jan., at Noon.
ROMBAI via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	COLOMBO MARU, Capt. Taramaka, T. 5,000	SATURDAY, 18th Jan.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	HAKATA MARU, Capt. H. Nomura, T. 6,000	WEDNESDAY, 17th Jan.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	JINSEN MARU, Capt. M. Machida, T. 4,000	MONDAY, 15th Jan.

NEW LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN
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Regular fortnightly service from Kobe to Calcutta calling at Hongkong, Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.
The next steamer to sail from Hongkong:

"KIRIN MARU" ... Tons 4,000 ... Capt. M. Deguchi ... Jan. 13th.

1912 PASSENGER SEASON 1912

Steamer	Tons	Captain	From Hongkong
TANGO MARU	8,000	K. Kawara	Feb. 14th.
KAMO MARU	9,000	P. L. Sommer	Feb. 28th.
AKI MARU	7,000	K. Homma	Mar. 18th.
MISHIMA MARU	9,000	A. C. Moses	Mar. 27th.
KAGA MARU	7,000	M. Hagino	April 10th.
ATSUTA MARU	8,000	Wm. Thompson	April 24th.
HITACHI MARU	7,000	T. Yamawaki	May 8th.
MIYASAKI MARU	9,000	T. Murai	May 22nd.
INABA MARU	7,000	S. Tomioka	Feb. 27th.
TAMBA MARU	7,000	K. Noda	Mar. 28th.
SANUKI MARU	7,000	T. Iizawa	April 9th.
AWA MARU	7,000	S. Tomioka	April 23rd.
INABA MARU	7,000	S. Tomioka	May 21st.

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T. KUSUMOTO,
Manager.CHINA NAVIGATION
CO. LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Steamers	To Sail
MANILA, OBU & ILOILO	"TAMING" ... 16th Jan., 4 p.m.	
HAIPHONG (HOIHOW) for	"SINGAN" ... 17th " 11 a.m.	
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA" ... 18th " 4 p.m.	
TSINGTAI, WEIHAWEI & CHEFOO	"HUNAN" ... 19th " 4 p.m.	
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI" ... 20th " 4 p.m.	
MANILA, OBU & ILOILO	"TEAN" ... 21st " 4 p.m.	
AMOI & NINGPO	"CHIHLEI" ... 22nd " 4 p.m.	
DIRECT SAILING TO WEST RIVER	S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SANUL" ... 23rd	

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Hongkong, 13th January, 1912.

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For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama: S.S. Ambrin ... 19th Jan. Goldenfels ... 24th Jan. Suevia ... 15th Feb. Belgavia ... 26th Feb. Sachsen ... 8th Mar. O. Ford Laeisz ... 30th Mar.	For Marseilles, Havre & Hamburg: S.S. "Sogovin" ... 23rd Jan. For Havre, Hamburg & Antwerp: S.S. "Silvius" ... 2nd Feb. For Havre, Rotterdam & Hamburg: S.S. "Sambor" ... 3rd Feb. For Rotterdam, Hamburg & Antwerp: S.S. "Saxonia" ... 16th Feb.

For Further Particulars, apply to—
Hamburg-Amerika Linie,
Hongkong Office.

HONGKONG—
PHILIPPINES.
PHILIPPINES
STEAMSHIP CO.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
RUBI	4000	S. A. Crosby	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu	SATURDAY, 20th Jan., 4 p.m.
ZAFIRO	4000	M. O. Smith	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu	TUESDAY, 30th Jan., 4 p.m.

Philippines Carnival, Feb. 3 to 12, 1912.
For sailing on January 31, special reduced rate, Hongkong-Manila and return \$50.00.
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Hongkong, 12th June, 1911.

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Regular Fortnightly Service between

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Steamer	Tons	Captain	Expected on or about	For	Will leave on or about
Tjiliwong	JAVA	JAPAN	1st half Jan.		
Tjipanas	JAVA	JAPAN	1st half Jan.		
Tjibodas	SHANGHAI	JAVA	2nd half Jan.		
Tjimanock	JAVA	JAPAN	2nd half Jan.		
Tjilatjap	JAVA	SHANGHAI	1st half Feb.		
Tjimali	JAVA	JAVA	2nd half Feb.		
Tjitarom	JAVA	JAVA	1st half Mar.		

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PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG. (Subject to alteration):

Steamer	Tons	Captain	Date of sailing
S.S. "Shinryo Maru"	21,000	H. S. Smith	Jan. 14th, Noon.
S.S. "Chiyo Maru"	21,000	W. W. Green	Feb. 16th, Noon.
S.S. "Nippon Maru"	11,000	A. G. Stevens	Mar. 8th, Noon.
S.S. "Tenryo Maru"	21,000	E. Bent	Mar. 16th, Noon.

These steamers are equipped with Turbine Engines and Triple Screw. All steamers carry Japanese Government wireless telegraph and post office. The triple screw steamer "SHINYO MARU" will be despatched for San Francisco via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on FRIDAY, the 19th January, 1912, at Noon.

INTERMEDIATE SERVICE.

The steamer "Nippon Maru" 11,000 tons Capt. A. G. Stevens, will be despatched for San Francisco via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu on Friday 8th March, at Noon.

SOUTH AMERICAN LINE

(In connection with the National Railway of Mexico at Manzanillo and the Tehuantepec National Railway at Salina Cruz.)

Only Regular Direct Service to Mexican, Chilean and Peruvian Ports.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (Subject to alteration):

Steamer	Tons	Date of Sailing
Kiyo Maru	17,500	Tuesday, Feb. 13, Noon.
Buyo Maru	16,500	Tuesday, April 9, Noon.
Hongkong Maru	11,000	Friday, June 7, Noon.

The steamer "KIYO MARU" will be despatched for MEXICAN, PERUVIAN and CHILEAN PORTS via MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, 13th Feb.
For further Particulars as to Passage and Freight, apply to
K. MATSUDA,
Agent.
Hongkong, 13th Jan., 1912.

LOG BOOK.

Coal Exports.

Probably not for many years has there been a worse month for coal exporters than October, says the "Shipping Gazette." The scarcity of tonnage and the rise in freights were so exceptional as to be almost phenomenal. The difficulties of the situation were enhanced by the outbreak of the Turco-Italian war, promptly followed by heavy war risks and a further advance in freights to the Mediterranean ports. In turn came an urgent demand for naval coal for Italy, which increased the pressure for tonnage at Cardiff and led to still another advance in freights. Then came the correspondence with their Italian clients in order to get them to pay the difference in freight. This in many cases was conceded, for Italy was short of coal, but while the correspondence was in progress shipments were suspended, and for a week or ten days of the month very little coal went forward to Italian ports. Meanwhile market prices for coal itself advanced under pressure of the demand, so that shippers found both coals and freights at unexpected figures.

In view of these serious impediments to the smooth progress of business, it is remarkable that the exports for October should turn out so well as they have done. The total overseas shipments, including bunkers, coal, amounted to 5,491,953 tons, which registers an increase of 201,703 tons on October of last year. This is not so large an increase as some previous months of the year have registered, but in view of all the circumstances it must be accounted very satisfactory. For once the returns show that this increase has been fairly well distributed over the different coal-shipping centres. The Scottish shipments picked up to a marked extent after a period of considerable dullness, for the increase which they show, 55,530 tons, is the largest of any. Next come the North-East Coast ports with an increase of 53,777 tons, by no means so large as it would have been had the supply of tonnage been better. The Yorkshire increase is fairly large, amounting to 45,249 tons, and Liverpool, with 10,190 tons to the good, has done relatively very well. The increase of the Welsh ports, amounting to 30,964 tons, is by comparison not so satisfactory, but the Welsh, like the North-East Coast ports, were particularly affected by the special conditions of the month, and had to pay very high rates of freight. Taken all round, coal shippers appear to have faced their difficulties and their known heavy losses in a strenuous spirit, and with no little success, for in the circumstances it is certainly creditable that there is any increase at all.

Baltic Freights.
At the Baltic, on November 24, freight rates from the Black Sea touched the highest points reached this year. The further stiffening of the market was attributed mainly to the fact that there are now comparatively few vessels available for loading grain at the ports of Southern Russia rather than to the report that Italy contemplates a blockade of the Dardanelles. In shipping circles this report was scarcely believed. Certainly Russia would be very closely affected if there were any interference with the grain carrying trade from the Danube and other centres. At the same time, though shipowners were inclined to adopt a sceptical attitude, the news was not liked by underwriters, and in some cases quotations for war insurance on goods to and from Turkish ports were very substantially raised. Down to the present the Mediterranean conflict cannot be said to have affected owners of cargo steamers at all injuriously. Not only have freights to Italian ports stiffened substantially, but rates to other places in the Mediterranean have risen in sympathy. The rise has also been assisted by the facts that owing to the war a number of Italian steamers are unable to get away from the Black Sea, and other steamers which would be taking a share in the increased business are acting as trans-shipment between Italy and Tripoli.

